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MILITARY REPORT

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ISSUED BY FORCES OF PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY - DHOFAR REGION

The forces of the People's Liberation Army and the People's Militia are continuing their attacks on the centres and positions of the colonialist and reactionary enemy in the southern region of Oman. During the period between 22nd and 27th October, our forces launched six successful operations which centred on the Western Region, North Sarfeet. The following are details of these operations:-

WESTERN REGION - NORTH SARFEET:

On 22nd October at eight in the morning the sniping group of our forces launched a sniping operation against the enemy members in North Sarfeet during which it killed two enemy members and injured two others. At 3.50 on the same day our forces shelled the enemy positions in North Sarfeet using artillery for half an hour. Enemy losses included the death of one member and injury of another and the completely destruction of four positions. A helicopter was seen landing at the enemy centre to evacuate the casualties. The enemy sought the help of the British Royal Air Force plane to bomb the nearby area indiscriminately and without realising any target. Our losses were none during both operations.

At 11.20 on 23rd October, our forces shelled the enemy positions in North Sarfeet using artillery for three quarters of an hour. In view of the hardness of the blows of our revolutionaries the enemy sought the help of his British fighter planes which bombed the area indiscriminately. Enemy casualties were not assessed. From our side there were no casualties.

On 25th October, at 11.30 in the morning our forces shelled the enemy positions in North Sarfeet using artillery. The shelling was heavy and concentrated on the enemy positions and military installations for forty minutes. Following this the enemy sought the help of the British Royal Air Force planes which came to bomb the area indiscriminately. The enemy suffered heavy losses in life and equipment. Our losses were none.

On 27th October at eight in the morning the sniping group of our forces sniped enemy members in North Sarfeet where one enemy member was killed and others were injured whose number was not assessed. From our side there were no casualties.

At 9.30 in the morning of the same day, our forces shelled the enemy positions in North Sarfeet using artillery for half an hour during which our forces destroyed two enemy centres completely and set fire to his tents. Helicopters were seen landing at the enemy centre to remove the dead and injured.

Our losses were none.

TOTAL ENEMY LOSSES WERE:-

- 1) Death and Injury of five enemy members
- 2) Destruction of six positions completely
- 3) The setting of fire to enemy tents. The enemy also suffered heavy losses in equipment and life which were not assessed.

From our side there were no casualties.

BAHRAIN IN GOVERNMENT CALLS BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL MEN IN AMERICA AND BRITAIN TO INVEST THEIR FUNDS IN BAHRAIN

BAHRAIN: At a time in which the Arab masses call for the boycott of the imperialist countries or to bear pressure on them by various means and ways in order to make them stop their help to the Zionist entity, the puppet Bahraini Government calls for an investment conference to be held during the period 10th to 12th November, 1973. Leading businessmen from Britain, the United States, Japan, Germany and Canada will take part in this conference for discussing issues of investment in the Middle East area and the Arabian Gulf in particular. The conference was also called by representatives from Saudi Arabia, the Arabian Gulf Emirates, Jordan, Lebanon and world leading capitalists.

The Bahraini Economy Ministry Under-secretary announced earlier that the best way for investment is the construction of hotels and encouragement of tourism in this area.!!

BAHRAIN A CENTRE FOR SPREADING ZIONIST PROPAGANDA

BAHRAIN: The American Central Intelligence is using Bahrain a station for spreading all propaganda hostile to the Arab nation through the coloured television station established by it.

This station constitutes a propaganda method for the ugly American and beams heavy propaganda for the American power and American influence in desperate bids to wash the ugly picture formed by the citizen on American imperialism.

The puppet Bahraini government went further even to allow programmes hostile to the Arabs to be beamed during the recent war. The American television in Bahrain showed the Zionist actor Samy Davis speaking comprehensively about his trip to Israel and the great accomplishments realised by Israel in the political and military fields.

In this way the Bahrain government works for beating the drums for the Israeli enemy and allowing Zionist propaganda to penetrate amidst the citizens even in the days in which fierce military battles are taking place between us and the enemy.

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BAHRAIN:

The recent battles of destiny revealed clearly more national scandals committed by the puppet rulers of Bahrain. It became certain that the Bahraini authorities facilitated the passage of volunteers to Israel who come by air from Australia and South-East Asia to Israel. There were hundreds of volunteers who disembarked at Bahrain airport and all facilities were extended to them for passing without the puppet government taking any action.

MUSCAT:

The puppet Muscat Government did not take any action that would enact the resolutions of the Arab Oil Ministers in connection with reduction of production. The puppet government did not take any action also against the Oman Oil Company which is being controlled by the Anglo-Dutch ShellCom.

It is to be recalled that the Holland adopted a partial stand towards the recent war. This made some of the liberal Arab countries to nationalise the share of the Shell Co., in the companies operating on their territories as it happened in Iraq.

But the Muscat Government and the other reactionary governments in the coast of Oman and the Gulf, which were scared by the just war waged by the Arabs, did not take any actions for contributing in the battle of destiny. But the opposite happened. They ceased this opportunity to hit the masses and continued daily bombing of the Dhofar rurals.

COAST OF OMAN:

During the battles waged by the Arab armies against the Zionist enemy, the Jordanian intelligence in the fictitious federation, sent strict threats to all nationalist elements in Abu Dhabi, Dubai and Ras al-Khaimah, to stop carrying out any demonstrations or protests after the break of the recent war.

However, it was ascertained that the Dubai authorities also facilitated the passage of volunteers to Israel aboard Australian planes passing through Dubai to Israel without the government taking any action against these companies.

NEW METHODS TO FORCE YOUTH TO JOIN RANKS OF MERCENARY ARMY

MUSCAT: The reactionary authorities in Muscat closed the doors in front of the carevans of jobless Omani people. Any Omani citizen going to these departments in search for any job he is immediately sent back by the officials - most of them expatriates - who tell him we have no vacancy you can go to the army, it is in need to you and you possess the ability to work in it and perform the duty of defending the homeland. In addition to this it gives big salaries, and so is the case with the policy.

The authorities started to use such method as a result of a number signs which are as follows:-

1) The sign of the refusal by the Qmani youth to join the ranks of the army and the police after the real roles of these two institutions became clear to them.

2) The sign of the desertion of army youth who were deceived by enticements or false claims on the role of these two machineries.

3) The great losses inflicted upon the mercenary army in the battles raging in the Dhofar rurals with the fighters of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf.

It is to be recalled that such colonialist method is not to be enacted for the first time but was enacted by a number of countries which were - like our country - subject to colonialism and its influence over them.

TIGHTENING OF THE ROPE AROUND THE FISHERMEN

INNER OMAN:

The reactionary authorities in Muscat prevented the fishermen from the Garz area from selling their fish outside the towns and villages inhabited by them or outside the Sultanate. It is to be recalled that the majority of the fish caught by these citizens in this area is sold in the coast of Oman. This is due to the negligence given by the government to the conditions of the fishermen and their low conditions of living which make them sell their tyields at very cheap prices to the fishe merchants who come from outside the Putanate.

SUSPICIOUS MOVES BY Z ID FORCES

COAST OF OMAN:

On 6th October, 1973, the puppet authorities in the fictitious federation moved two battalions of their land forces to Jebel al-Mukhdhar and Jaalan areas in Inner Oman?!!

This operation came on the same day in which the Egyptian and Syrian forces moved to liberate the Arab territories from the usurper Zionist enemy. It is to be recalled that there was complete coordination between the puppets in the Sultanate and the federation in this aspect for hitting the revolution and confronting any massive movement in the area.

BLINDNESS OF A CITIZEN AND HIS DISMISSAL FROM WORK WITHOUT COMENSATION

SOOR: During the month of October citizen Nasser Rashed Khanis, from Sour town, went to see the hospital for treatment of his eyes. The doctor gave him ointment and no sooner this was used by him he suffered from blindness. This citizen has nothing left but to resort to Governor to raise to him his grievance and what the doctor did to him. The governor only checked off. After that the reactionary authorities dismissed him from the work from which he was earning his living. They dismissed him without giving him entitlements for his service.

LOTS OF INCONVENIENCE AND CHASING LOTS CITIZENS IN
INNER OMAN

INNER OMAN: The masses in the areas of Oman face acts of chasing and inconvenience at the hands of elements from the British and Jordanian intelligence, which chase numerous citizens and directs to them and their relatives and parents different abuses and insults. These abuses and insults vary from insulting and spitting on the citizens and their beating. The intelligence direct the charge of being affiliated to the revolution to every citizen standing against their filthy acts.

However, the reactionary authorities issued a decree preventing all types of gathering in some areas of inner Oman and in particular in the Eastern and Central Regions.

FREE WORK IMPOSED ON FISHERMEN IN TOWNS OF SOUTHERN REGION

The reactionary authorities in the towns of the Southern Region impose free-of-charge work on poor fishermen. Such work cover street sweeping town cleaning etc. This happens before and during the arrival of Qaboos at the town of Sallalah. It is to be recalled that such work was imposed on the fishermen during the days of Saeed bin Taimour, but was abolished after the Qaboos stage play and was re-imposed now in a more savage and criminal manner.

PUPPET GOVERNMENT IN MUSCAT NEGOTIATES AND COORDINATES
WITH BRITAIN AND SAUDI ARABIA TO FACE ANY EMERGENCY DURING WAR

The puppet authorities in Muscat is having extensive coordination with Saudi reaction in the political, economic and military fields. We see that Riyadh is the place on which it depends during the crises being passed by it at Arab level.

During the recent war the traitorous stand of the puppet authorities was revealed towards the major issue of the Arabs as Oman did not contribute anything for the military efforts and was contented with forming a committee to collect donations from the citizens and to deduct the salaries of employees without taking the hardship of making a real contribution by confiscating or sequestering the share of the companies collaborating with Israel or cutting Omani oil from America.

During the war an Omani delegation went to Riyadh to negotiate with the Saudi officials on the stand which is to be taken by the puppet government in Muscat towards such crisis which embarrassed the Arab reactionaries and revealed the reality of their betrayal towards the holy national issue. The Omani delegation held a series of meetings with the Saudi officials.

It also carried a message from puppet Qaboos to puppet Feisal.

It is to be recalled that the puppet authorities in Muscat announced without shame that it is negotiating with the British Ambassador on the steps to be taken by it for confronting the Arab developments during the first days of the war.

STATEMENT ON ELECTIONS IN BAHRAIN

- * COLONIALIST AND TRIBAL AUTHORITY WANTS TO ENSURE STABILITY AND SECURITY IN BAHRAIN
- * REACTION BY AUTHORITY ARRESTS NATIONALIST ELEMENTS AND TORTURES THEM, REFUSES TO FORWARD THEM TO TRIAL AND CREATES DETECTIVE ATMOSPHERES AND CLAIMS TO CARE FOR DEMOCRACY
- * REACTIONARY RULE IN BAHRAIN A TOOL IN THE HANDS OF SAUDI ARABIA AND THE AMERICANS TO HIT THE BAHRAINI MASSES
- * POPULAR BOYCOTT OF ELECTIONS THE CORRECT WAY FOR RELIYING TO TERRORISM OF AUTHORITY AND ITS POLICE LAWS

Masses of Our Militant People,

The colonialist and reactionary circles and the tribal authority in Bahrain wants to re-arrange their situation in a way conforming with the great development that took place within the ranks of the masses and the promotion of their political enlightenment and combative ability, so that these arrangements be the safety valve and a factor of stability for the great and organised looting operation carried out by the colonialist monopolies and the companies and an assurance for the stability of the colonialist and reactionary influence and control and the stay of the tribal regime in Bahrain.

All arrangements carried out by the imperialist circles and to be carried out by them, do not aim at serving the people but aim at serving the colonialists and the tribal families as well as the forces of reaction which impose their influence and control over Bahrain. Moreover, these arrangements do not serve but the colonialist plan to make Bahrain a centre for its investments in the Gulf and a station from which to supervise through the banks, insurance companies and other monopolies the operation of looting carried out all over the area of the Arabian Gulf.

Colonialism does not want any good for our people and does not want any progress and prosperity for them and not freedom and stability.

We saw since the first moments in which Britain declared its withdrawal from the Gulf area that matters are not proceeding in the interest of the people and their progress but are proceeding towards increasing the influence and control of colonialism and towards arranging and organising the looting operation and modernising these tribal regimes as well as creating strong repressive regimes capable of performing the roles wanted by colonialism to hit the masses.

Any citizens following the development of the internal situations in Bahrain since the fictitious independence will find that the tools of terrorism and repression have increased and that the chasing of the nationalist forces has also increased and that freedoms do not exist any more. Even the reactionary authorities launch daily more terroristic laws which chain the people and tighten the rope around any sign wanting to organise their ranks.

But at the foreign level, their alignment completely by the side of Saudi reaction and Iran and its hostility to the Socialist countries and its stand by the side of American imperialism in international assemblies become open to the entire Arab and world public opinion.

STATEMENT ON ELECTIONS IN BAHRAIN - Cont'd.

At the national level, it became clear through the recent war to all masses, the hostility of the puppet regime to the ambitions of our people. When all airports and ports of Bahrain were turned into a landing spot for aircraft which remove volunteers to Israel. Moreover the American base became an Israeli base supplying the Israeli aggressive army with fuels. At the international level, the American television plays an active role in spreading Zionist propaganda.

In the face of the greastening popular pressure for the repression of which the British intelligence recruited all its potentialities during the recent war, the puppet Bahraini government found no alternative other than to issue a statement on the abolition of the American base. Our people will discover the reality of statements and the ability of this puppet authority to place this for implementation.

This government which is hostile to the people, cannot take any measure affecting the sovereignty of the Americans, and that all resolutions announced by it and taken under Arab or local pressure, are only pouring ashes in the eyes to reduce the wrath of the people against its unnational attitude towards our national issues entirely.

At the economic level it handed over more national wealth to the foreign monopolies and made Bahrain a centre for the American banks and capitalist investment companies which loot the plenitfulness of our people in order to pour them into the pockets of the Western and Japanese monopolies. The march of this authority is a march of hostility towards the masses and their national ambitions and democracy and a disguise to the rights of the citizens and their daily living needs.

Under such dark picture of the internal, external, economic, social and political policy of the authority, this authority lays down the project for the national council and claims that it is a means for making the people share in the rule and self-administration. By this it is only lying to the masses because this authority will not abandon by choice anything to the people and will nothand over to them the matters of affairs. But it wants from such council to give it the legality in its tribal rule and to bless the steps taken by it in addition to distortion of the national and democratic elements until the struggle of these elements is confined to the national council under the banner of submitting to its tribal rule.

This game cannot overcome the national elements as they realise that such council is only one of the means of this regime to reduce the tension of the struggle and the legitimate malice hidden by these masses for this decayed regime which contravenes with their political enlightenment and ambitions for a national, democratic and popular regime. The national forces also know that such councils cannot solve the problems of the masses as the main cause lies in the political and economic regime which crowns the top of the tribal authority now in existence and that the colonialist circles want to prolong the age of this regime by repairing it and modernising it with some corporations with modern names but fundamentally not changing naturally the relations of the regime with the masses.

Masses of Our Militant people,

The tribal authority lays down in Bahrain the project for the National Council and calls upon you to switch-over to this experiment and to take part in it in order to obtain your approval on the injustice and repression carried out and exercised by it against you and to take your approval on becoming a tool on you.

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At a time in which the authority beats the drums for the National Council which it wants to establish, it at all does not take care off the ugly soaring up prices which storn the citizens, but we see the Minister of Development advises the government to leave the prices soar up and come down because that is the best way. We also see the wages and salaries remain as before and the government on one way while the people and their problems are on another way. Beside this it also launches undemocratic and harsh laws daily against the freedom of the people and their democratic rights including the launching of the state of emergency which is still in effect since 1965 along with the reactionary gathering ordinance which was recently launched by the tribal authority to face every protest campaign and demonstration by the masses. The tribal authority and the Henderson government launch also ugly campaigns of arrest ever to be witnessed by the country since 1965 during which they arrested honest nationalist and democratic elements against whom they practice ugly and barbaric methods of torture and kill the honest militants such as Mohammad Banfour and hand over the Bahraini nationalists to the other reactionary governments and expels the nationalist elements from the country. Under such detective atmospheres the authority also prevented the woman from the right of free franchise fulfillment by that the recommendations of Saudi reaction and the Americans and prohibited half the Bahraini people from exercising their electoral rights.

Masses of our Militant People.

The correct way for realising the popular demands is a hard and strenuous road, the road of self-reliance and organisation of the masses in political, union and social organisations as well as to promote the bitter and constant struggle for fulfilling these demands by using all legitimate and violent and peaceful means to realise the demands of the masses. The tribal authority wants nothing good for you and does not want you to be organised and unite your ranks because unification of your ranks is dangerous to it. Therefore it wants to hold these elections without allowing the people to form their political, unionist, worker, student or women organisations, but wants this people to remain shattered in order to have control on them.

Under such detective and terroristic circumstances lived by Bahrain in such repressive laws, the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf sees that boycott of the elections is the only correct path and that the nationalist elements and forces are to tighten the seige around this tribal regime by boycotting the elections and directing the masses to organise their ranks and mobilise their potentialities for realising the demands of the masses. In front of the impact of the Bahraini masses entrance to the National Council because a means from which the authority gains to disperse off popular pressure faced by it and pressing and exposing it to the masses and the Arab and world public opinions.

Towards the boycott of the elections of the tribal authority and towards further struggle against the government of Henderson and the corrupt clique.

Victory is always the ally of militant peoples.

1st November, 1973

THE PEOPLES FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION
OF OMAN AND THE ARABIAN GULF